



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Larry L. Hood

Application No.: 09/759,684

Filed: January 10, 2001

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
MODIFICATIONS OF VISUAL ACUITY
BY THERMAL MEANS

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231-9998

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), the Applicants for the above-identified application respectfully petition the Commissioner for a three (3) month extension of time, extending the period for response to December 18, 2002, from the Office Action dated June 18, 2002. Enclosed are an Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.115, a Request for Correction of Filing Receipt and a check in the amount of \$460.00 to cover the petition for extension of time fee.

Please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 09-0946. A duplicate copy of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.

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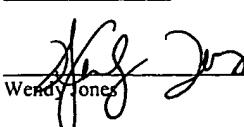
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